

No. 1: Substantial cause and cooperative condition

The cause of a phenomenon's is either that phenomenon's **substantial cause** or its **cooperative condition**. For instance, a seed is the **substantial cause** of a sprout while warmth, water, fertilizer, etc. are the sprout's **cooperative conditions**.

Time of the sprout's cause:

The sprout's causes **have arisen**.
The sprout **is arising**.
The sprout's causes **are generating** the sprout.

Time of the sprout:

The sprout **has arisen**.
The sprout **is abiding** (although it changes moment by moment in each moment it is a sprout)
The sprout **is disintegrating** (it changes moment by moment)
The result of the sprout (the flower) **is arising**.

Time of the sprout's result:

The sprout **has disintegrated**.
The result of the sprout (the flower) **has arisen**.
The result of the sprout is **abiding** as well as **disintegrating**.

